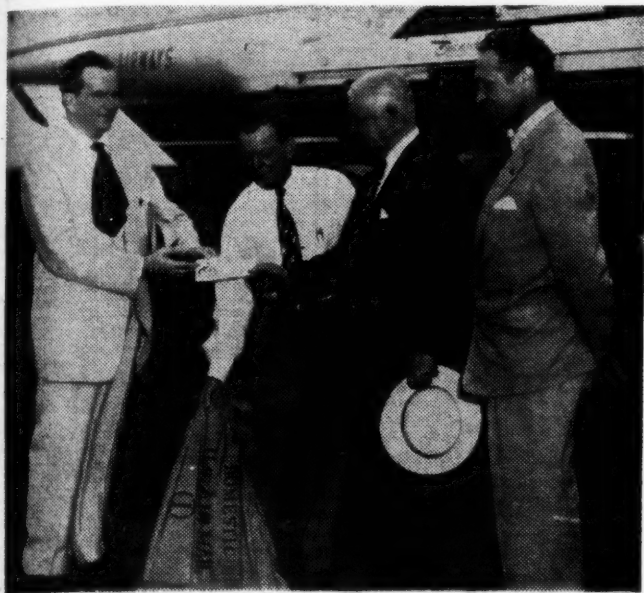


Gen. George Smith Patton, Jr.



SPECIAL CACHED COVERS FOR WOUNDED VETERANS. 400 covers were prepared by American Airlines and cached with an original design created by artist Milton Caniff to mark the dedication of the new airport terminal at Newark, N. J. Inspecting one of the covers which was flown between the four airports in the New York metropolitan area, left to right, Milton Caniff; Cecil M. Bennett, supervisor of Newark Airmail Field Post Office; O. M. Mosier, vice president American Airlines; Ernest Kehr, national chairman Stamps For The Wounded. None of the covers were made available to the public. All were given to hospitalized veterans.
—American Airlines photo

Trieste Parallels Italian Issues Stamp For Stamp; Electrical Pioneer Honored

by Bert Happ

CHAPTER VII

Cathedral of San Giusto

Cathedral of San Giusto situated on an eminence in the old part of the town, was built on the site of an ancient Roman temple, part of the foundation and columns of which are still visible by the tower. The present building was formed in the 14th century by the union of three adjacent buildings of the 6th century, an early Christian basilica, a baptistry and a small byzantine church with a dome. The facade is adorned with three bronze busts of bishops. To the right and left of the door are six busts in relief from ancient Roman tombs. Most of the interior is whitewashed.

In the altar recess at the right is Christ between SS Justus and Servatius with the Apostles below (7th Century). The apse contains 13th century mosaics. In the chapel of San Carlo are buried members of the older line of the Spanish Bourbons.

World Health Congress

World Health Congress, the Second Assembly of the World Organization of Health held long sessions at Rome in 1949, with delegates of 70 nations participating. The design of the stamp by Prof. Rintrosi has the following symbol:



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A daring early evening robbery at the Hillsborough Hotel, Tampa, Fla. scene of the 59th annual convention and exhibition of the Society of Philatelic Americans, had conventioners agog.

Victim of the theft was Lambert W. Gerber, Tamaqua, Pa. stamp dealer who had staged the convention auction Friday evening August 14. The loss was variously estimated as being between \$30,000 and \$35,000 and consisted of auction lots which had been the subject of successful bids by mail clients.

Floor bidders had paid for and removed their material at the end of the sale.

Lots for the mail clients had been taken to his hotel room at the close of the auction by Mr. Gerber pending his subsequent mailing of them. It was while he was away at dinner that the robbery occurred.

Tampa police were immediately called in upon discovery of the crime. No arrests had been made by late Saturday afternoon August 15.

Mr. Gerber advises that those persons who placed the material in his hands for sale are fully protected by insurance since each of his sales are fully covered against loss of any kind.

Artist, Artwork On New Italian Stamp

One of Italy's better known painters, Luca Signorelli, was honored with a commemorative stamp issued August 18, according to Vittorio Lo Bianco of New York City. The artist is shown in a full length portrait posed before one of his pictures, in the stamp design.



This background picture is in a light green, the balance of the design is in a brown. The face value is 25 Lire.

Overprinting of AMG-FTT on the Signorelli made it usable for postage in the Anglo-American Zone of Trieste.

Patton At Fort Knox November 11

Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield announced that the commemorative stamp honoring General George S. Patton, Jr. and the Armored Forces of the U. S. Army will be placed on first day sale at Fort Knox, Kentucky, November 11.

Further details with regard to the design and color of the stamp will be announced later.

New Newspaper Wrapper Issued

Newspaper wrappers bearing an impressed 2½ pence stamp portraying Queen Elizabeth II are now available at post offices in Australia. Release date at the General Post Office in each State capital was August 5.

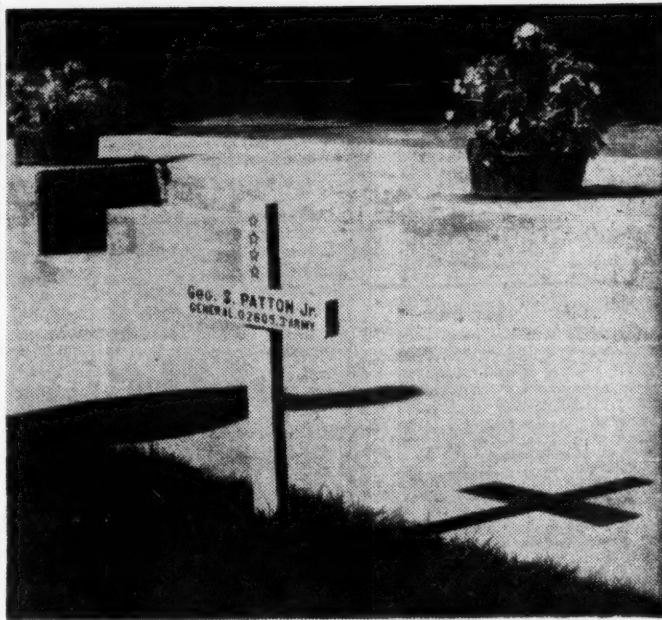
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Shown herewith is the simple marker on the grave of General George S. Patton in the military cemetery at Hamm, Luxembourg. It consists of a simple white cross having the wording "Geo. S. PATTON JR.—GENERAL. 02605, 3d ARMY". On the upright above the cross arm are four stars denoting his military rank.

Chronicle Of The "Fightinist General" In The U.S. Army; To Be Honored With Stamp

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General GEORGE S. PATTON, JR. Born in California 1885—died in Luxembourg 1945. Graduate of West Point 1909—Cavalry School 1914—General Staff School 1923—Army War College 1932. 2nd Lt. 1909 and promoted through the grades to full four-star general in 1945.

Aide-de-camp to General Pershing in Mexico 1916 and in France 1917—wounded 1918. On the Army General Staff 1923 to 1927, and again 1935 to 1937. Chief of cavalry 1928 to 1931. Commander 2nd Armored Division at Fort Benning, Georgia, where he was nicknamed "old Blood and Guts" for his rough maneuvers.

In World War II was commander of American Forces in Tunisia and in Sicily 1943—3rd Army in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany 1944 and 1945—after peace, commander 15th Army in France. Awarded DSC, Silver Star, DSM, Congressional Medal of Honor and many others—also from foreign countries where he fought.

Killed during a hunting party in 1945—buried in the U.S. Military Cemetery at Hamm, Luxembourg. A great rough-and-ready fighter, who always carried a pearl-handled six-gun at his hip—and got things done. May he rest in peace.

The foregoing is a transcript of more than four decades of the army life of "Georgie" Patton, the hectic and unaccountable one, as I wrote it into my albums shortly after his death.

Since that time, historians and biographers have come up with endless pages of fact and near facts, surmises, theories about the man, his supposed likes and dislikes—and of course, some choice anecdotes. The following items have been picked at random from many books:

From his earliest youth, young Patton swam, rode on horses, took long hikes and performed a dozen other tasks in order to keep himself physically fit in body and soul—in later years he made it a veritable fetish insofar as he personally was concerned. As a result, when the Committee announced a new Modern Pentathlon for the Olympic Games to be held in Sweden in 1912, Patton was chosen as the entry of the U. S. Army for this series in Stockholm.

He went into immediate training, and took his task so earnestly that his weight dropped in six weeks from 190 to 153 pounds—

and so he entered into the various events in the Fifth Olympic Games—fit as a fiddle, but nervous as a cat. The first event was target shooting with a pistol, with twelve seconds allowed to fire twenty shots into a target 27 yards away. After it was all over, he had collected 150 points out of a possible 200—not good enough.

Next day, determined to make good in the 300-meter swimming event, he worked himself to the point of exhaustion, and had to be fished out of the pool with a boat hook just as he reached the finish line, in seventh place. Not bad, but again not good enough.

Patton had always been a good swordsman. In the fencing event the following day, he won his first two matches against a Dane and a famous French blade, but in the final tally he lost six of his twenty-six duels and placed fourth.

The next day, mounted on a strange Swedish cavalry horse, Patton entered the 5000-meter cross-country ride, over a grueling course criss-crossed with drainage ditches and other unfamiliar (Continued on page 7)



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For the Pacific National Exhibition at Vancouver, B.C., August 26 to September 7 the cachet will read, "A Royal Show for A Royal Year" and have the exhibition emblem. The other, in simpler format, is for the West Kootenay Fall Exhibition from September 10 to 12 at Nelson, B. C.

Collectors must print the name and address, or write it legibly, on the right side of their envelopes, enclose a stuffer and affix Canadian postage stamps at the rate of four cents for surface mail and seven cents airmail. (Canadian and American residents only, foreign higher).

Those not having Canadian postage stamps should forward a money order or bank draft payable for the exact amount in Canadian funds, made payable to the Receiver General of Canada. Such payment must be enclosed to the respective postmasters at Vancouver and Nelson with the prepared envelopes, and the request for the cachet.

Cash, checks or United States Postal Notes are not acceptable.

"Philatelist Annals" Makes Inaugural

An impressive piece of work is the first edition of "The Aero Philatelist Annals", a quarterly publication of Aero Philatelists Inc., which made its bow with the July 1953 edition.

This group which makes its headquarters at 1860 Broadway, New York 23, N.Y., has members in various parts of the United States interested in the stamps, covers and collateral material pertaining to airmail.

Articles in the first number are "U. S. Buffalo Balloon" by H. M. Goodkind, the editor; "Surinam 5 Gld. of 1941"; "Sudan" by J. L. Wacht; "Iceland Zeppelin Issue" by H. M. Goodkind; "Honduras 1930 Official Airmails" by Irving I. Green. Also included are several other articles.

The magazine is well illustrated and printed on a good grade of stock which will make of it the "keep type" piece of reference material.

Roosevelt "Classic" In Late October

The Roosevelt Philatelic Society of Chicago will stage its annual "Fall Classic" October 24 and 25 at the Englewood Masonic Temple, 6739 Yale Avenue near Marquette Road.

This year's exhibition marks the 20th Anniversary of the society. The competition for awards is expected to be keen; a preliminary review of the entries indicating close to 300 frames, of material heretofore not generally exhibited.

Details of bourse reservations may be obtained from Dr. Jos. D. Comroe, 25 E. Washington St. Chicago, 2, Ills. Other information can be gotten from C. P. Jorgensen, 8006 Vernon Ave., Chicago, 19, Ills.



Sept. 14-15—Northeastern Pa. Philatelic Society, Waverly Antique Show, Waverly, Pa.

Sept. 23-25—American Philatelic Society Convention-Exhibition, Shamrock Hotel, Houston, Texas.

Sept. 26-27—Philatelic Society of Cincinnati, Sheraton-Sinton Hotel, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Oct. 2-4—Oklahoma Philatelic Society, Masonic Temple, Guthrie, Okla. Logan County Stamp Club, hosts.

Oct. 9-10—Italy Stamp Group, Collector's Club, 22 E. 35th St., New York City.

Oct. 9-11—Mound City Stamp Club, Hotel Desoto, St. Louis, Mo.

Oct. 23-25—Trans-Mississippi Philatelic Society, Davenport, Iowa, Quad-City Stamp Club hosts.

Oct. 24-25—Roosevelt Philatelic Society, Englewood Masonic Temple, Chicago, Ill.

Oct. 30, 31, Nov. 1—American Philatelic Congress, Hotel Robert Treat, Newark, N. J.

Nov. 11-17—Associated Stamp Clubs of the Chesapeake Area, Department of Commerce Auditorium, Washington D. C.

Nov. 27-29—New Mexico Philatelic Association, El Paso, Texas, El Paso Stamp Club hosts.

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Scott Lowers Prices On Two U. S. Albums

To make two of Scott's popular printed albums available to more collectors, Scott Publications, 590 Fifth Ave., New York 36, N.Y., has just brought out new editions which slice \$4 off the price of the National Album for U. S. Stamps and \$3 off the price of the U. S. Commemorative Album.



The new \$6 "National" has just as many spaces in it as the \$10 edition — spaces for all the major-number U. S. stamps in Scott's Standard Catalogue. Each space contains the catalogue number and a description or illustration. Pages are printed on both sides, and the screw-post binder is covered in green, leather-grained cloth.

The new \$5 "U. S. Commemorative Album" has the same paper, and identical spaces for both singles and blocks of four as the \$8 edition. Each space contains an illustration or description, plus the Scott Catalogue number, and there are lines over each issue telling what it commemorates. Pages are printed on both sides, and the screw-post binder is in red, leather-grained cloth.

Annual supplements will be issued for both of the new editions. And both have attractive dust jackets featuring an eagle drawn by Jean Van Nieuwenhuysen, the famous Belgian stamp designer.

Fabulous Book For Grand Award

The American Philatelic Congress exhibition, to be held at Newark N.J. October 30, 31 and November 1, has been named "Philatex 1953".

This stamp exhibition bids fair to attract some of the finest philatelic material shown in many years, and the officers of Philatelic Exhibitions, Inc., report that they have already received many requests for copies of the prospectus.

William C. Webb announced that the sponsoring group had determined that the Grand Award would be "The Royal Philatelic Collection", said to be the greatest book ever published in philately. Philatelic Exhibitions, Inc. believed this would make a more desirable prize than any cup or trophy. Every collector likely to exhibit would probably desire to own a copy of this great book.

Other awards will include trophies in each section of the show, and medals.

Exhibits will be accepted by invitation only but collectors who may desire to compete for the grand award are urged to write to Philatelic Exhibitions, Inc., 38 Norman Road, Newark 6, N.J., stating the scope of their material and the probable number of frames required.

All such inquiries will be referred to the Advisory Committee of the exhibition for consideration and those who have fine material will likely receive invitations to show.

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According to Peter H. W. Andersen of New York City the show will be staged in Grundtvigshus, Copenhagen under the sponsorship of the Christmas Seal Committee, the Christmas Seal Collectors Club of Denmark, and various cooperating stamp clubs.

Three sections have been assigned to the exhibition — Christmas Seal Committee's arrangement — Christmas Seals and Charity stamps — and, stamps with certain themes such as child welfare, aid to the ill, religion, athletics, etc.

A souvenir catalogue of the display will include a detailed account of Christmas Seal work over the past 50 years; and a specialized listing of the Christmas Seals of Denmark and the Danish West Indies.

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CORONATIONS 1953. The Elizabeth Coronation stamps are in demand and popular. Many dealers are unable to supply complete sets. The prevailing retail price is about \$7.50 although some dealers are advertising same at higher prices. It appears that the new issue price of about \$7.50 will not go lower, but may advance.

AUSTRALIA. The Elizabeth Coronation set of three values is getting scarce, especially the two shilling value, without which the set is not complete. Fynden in Stamp Collecting (London) picks this two shilling stamp used as the "Good Fynd" of the week.

GEORGE VI. The popularity of all Queen Elizabeth stamps in general and the coronations in particular, has resulted in a large demand for all George VI stamps, especially the 1937 coronations.

NEW ZEALAND. The numbers sold of the 1952 Health stamps are as follows:

1½d plus ½d — 5,565,181.

2d plus 1d — 6,303,561.

NEW ZEALAND will issue, on December 14, two stamps to commemorate the Royal Visit. The values will be 3 pence and 4 pence.

NEW ZEALAND. The 1940 Centenary set is getting quite scarce and in demand. Although the 7 pence stamp No. 238 is catalogued highest of the set at \$3.50, the really scarce value is the one shilling No. 241. Higher catalogue prices can be expected.

AUCTION PRICES. Prices realized at auction sales usually express the real current value of stamps, and auction prices in London are a good guide to values of British Empire stamps. Here are some of the prices paid for mint items at recent auction sales in London.

Falkland Islands, No. 52, 2½ on 2d; Scott's price \$125; Gibbons, 30 Pounds or \$84.00. Auction price 20 Pounds or \$55.00.

Gibraltar No. 110 issued in 1938. Scott's price 50c. Perforated 13½ and watermarked sideways the price in Gibbons is 35 Pounds (\$98.) The price in Commonwealth Catalogue is 25 Pounds (\$70.) The auction price 22 Pounds (\$61.50). This stamp was issued in coils only.

Malta No. 65, the 10 shilling black is priced by Scott at \$200. The price in Gibbons is 60 Pounds (\$168.) The auction price was 45 Pounds (\$126).

Newfoundland. The airmail stamp C5 is priced by Scott at \$700. The price in Gibbons is 220 Pounds (\$616.00) The auction price was 160 Pounds (\$448.00).

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Concerning A New U.S. Catalog

Some little comment has reached our office concerning a new U. S. Catalog. Perhaps the most important point has been brought out by a letter from Mr. G. Morgan Hall of Grand Rapids, Mich. It is not a new point, but the one that comes up most often when any proposal for a new catalog is made. Mr. Hall says, "But regardless of any other innovations he may contemplate, urge him not to devise a new numbering system, or a new set of numbers. Such a change would produce chaos for which I am confident he would receive a negative blessing from the entire philatelic world."



GEORGE W. LINN

ducing a catalog comparable to this new dollar issue.

We believe that the circulation of the Harris catalog is far greater than the Scott book. Reason, the very low price at which Harris prices his catalog. This is a vital matter. We believe Scott made a mistake in pricing this new catalog at one dollar. It should not have been over 50c and perhaps not over 25c. This latter figure would most likely pay for production and at a 25c price it would have had a circulation several times what it will get under the dollar price and what we need most to help the young stamp collector is a catalog within his reach.

If a new catalog will help the Hobby then we are for it. There is a tremendous need for a low priced catalog for the young collector as well as an honest booklet that will tell him what he should know in an honest way.

It Would Help Reduce The Deficit

We wonder if it has ever occurred to our own Post Office Officials that we need a new set of stamps. The Presidentials have been in use for a good many years. They are of course an attractive interesting issue but even so there are sound reasons why we need a new issue.

Right now the British Government seems in a mad hurry to gather American dollars as well as coins from any other source. Colony after colony with no more total population than a good sized country town here in America is putting out high value postage stamps. Stamps with a face value of from two to ten times higher than any stamps they have been using for the past few years. Such stamps are not needed even with world monies in the shape they are. It appears to us stamp collectors as a simple and easy plan to get a heap of extra dollars. The cost of a plate for a ten shilling stamp is not greater than the cost of a plate for a one penny stamp and the cost of printing is the same, but what a difference in the profit for a small colony that has little or no use for such stamps.

Over here we have been three-cented to death with commemorative after commemorative until we are getting pretty well fed up with such things too.

As we have said, the Presidentials are old enough, lets have something new. There are two courses open either one of which would be welcomed by American collectors.

Either give us a commemorative issue in a set with values running up to as high as 50c or even a dollar. A handsome set of this size would be a far better buy for us than British Colonials.

Better still, why not come forth with one of these sets that were frequently rumored in the past. A set glorifying the great country in which we live, in effect a peace set. The world wants peace. Let us set aside stamps glorifying war for the time being. Give us a set showing the greatness of America in Agriculture, Mining, Manufacturing, Oil Production, Automobile Transportation by pleasure car or truck or bus, Aviation, Shipping, Railroad, and many other of the great things for which we are the acknowledged world leaders.

Such an issue would serve as a peace issue and would carry to all parts of the world as a message that would sell America to the whole world.

Summer In Florida

This is being written just about the time of the opening of the SPA Convention in Tampa. Thus we can not give you any news about the convention but will do so when we are home again.

About the first part of August Mrs. Linn and your editor took off for a brief visit to Florida. Unlike some people we do not fear Florida in the summer time for as a matter of fact it is quite pleasant if one must judge it by some of the hot humid days and nights we suffer through up north.

Our first objective was our Florida home located in Howey-in-the-Hills where we spent several days enjoying some good fishing. We will drive to Tampa on the morning of the 13th and will be there until Sunday the 16th after which we will return to Howey and in a few days return to Sidney.

Any personal mail held for me will be cared for as quickly as possible after our return.

A Real A.P.S. Election

This is the first year for many years past when the members of the Society will have an honest-to-goodness election instead of a Russian style election. A real attempt is being made to unseat some of that group who have held the society in check for so many years.

If you as a member want freedom and a new deal in A.P.S. affairs then your ticket should be Jacobs for President, the California boys for Vice Presidents, Apfelbaum for Secretary, Steeg for Treasurer, DeVoss for International Secretary with Shoemaker and Glass for Directors.

Personally we can also endorse Don Heath and knew he is a sound man.

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Austrian Commem Hails Unionism

Austria will give its labor unions some philatelic recognition when on August 29 a semipostal of 15 plus 25g becomes valid for postage. The sale will begin August 25. It will mark the 60th anniversary of unionism.



The stamp itself will not be a new design as use will be made of previously issued Scott No. 481 but in a steel blue instead of the 1945 color of red. Dedication will be made via an overprint, "OGB 60 JAHRE, GEWERKSCHAFTS BEWEGUNG" (60 Years of Organized Unionism) in a gold ink.

Old numerals of value have been obscured with overprinted ornamental buds, and the new surcharged in the lower left corner, both items also in gold. Miss Gusti Kopfleithner, a lithographer of the Austrian State Printing Works, designed the overprint. Production is by the same institution in sheets of 50 to the tune of 450,000 copies.

Edwin Mueller of New York City, and the Austrian Postal Administration supplied the illustration and news.

Japan Issues Four Airmails

On August 15 Japan added four new denominations to the airmail series to meet requirements brought on by rate increases effective July 1. The design, common to all, pictures the great image of Buddha, an aeroplane and Mt. Fuji.

Values and colors are 70 yen red brown, 80y dark blue, 115y olive green and 145y dark blue green.

In preparation is a new design for the 2 yen. It will bear a picture of an Akita dog, a breed peculiar to the nation.

The airmails will be produced in panes of twenty stamps.

The above and other Japanese stamps are on sale at face value plus return postage from the Philatelic Agency, Tokyo Central Post Office, Tokyo, Japan.

1953 STAMP PROGRAM

Aug. 24—American Bar Association 3c, Boston, Mass. (105 million, 50 per pane).

Sept. 14 — Sagamore Hill 3c, Oyster Bay, N.Y. (50 per pane, 110 million).

Oct. 13—Future Farmers of America 3c, Kansas City, Mo.

Oct. 27 — Trucking Industry, Los Angeles, Calif. (Value to be announced).

Nov. 11—Gen. Patton 3c, Fort Knox, Ky.

Gadsden Purchase New York City.

ISSUED TO DATE

1017—National Guard 3c, Washington, D. C. February 23.

1018—Ohio Sesqui 3c, Chillicothe, Ohio, March 2.

1019—Washington Territorial 3c, Olympia, Wash., March 2.

1020—Louisiana Purchase, St. Louis, Mo., April 30.

C47—Aviation 6c, Dayton, Ohio, May 29.

1021 — Commodore Perry 5c, Washington, D. C., July 14.

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Poles 'N Mountains On India Commems

Herewith is a picture of the design which "Communications on Stamps" collectors will want to add to their albums. It will be issued by India on November 1 and will mark the centenary of telegraph service there.



While two years late, if the dates "1851-1951" on the stamp are to be authentic, it will nevertheless have a wide appeal. Shown are old (to the left) and new (right) telegraph poles against a background of snow-capped mountains.

The denominations are 2 annas green, and 12a blue. Printing will be by the photogravure process at the Security Press. The design was adapted by staff artists of the firm from photographs supplied by the Director General of Posts.

Reds Give Germans Five Year Plan

The Communists who press the buttons and pull the levers of control in eastern Germany have seen to it that this satellite will have a five year plan just like the mother country and other unwilling victims of the aggression.

This is evidenced by a set of seventeen stamps for regular postage released August 10 with the figure "5" prominently in each design.

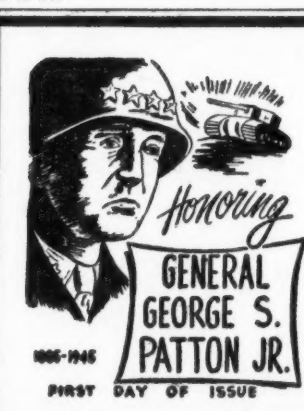
According to Walter Horn of Dresden-A 21, Germany the denominations are: 1, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 16, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 48, 60, 80 and 84 pfennigs.

Trieste Stamp In Limited Quantity

Final figures indicate that only 442,700 copies of the 200 Lire value of the now obsolete Work set were issued. Of this total only 100,000 were of the second type perforated 13 1/4 x 14.

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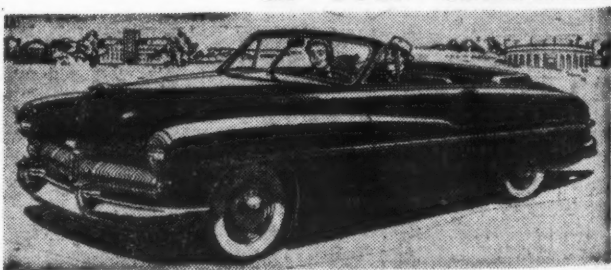
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And still the brickbating continues!

Each mail brings me newspaper clippings which thoughtful readers have sent, and all of which have adverse criticism for the Post Office Department, its stamps, stamp designs, and events for which they are issued.

It seems as though it has become fashionable for editors and writers to poke their "dipped pens" at Uncle Samuel's mail monopoly. For months and years while the Democrats controlled things this column praised and condemned them as the occasion warranted, and it must be confessed that from where I sit, the latter was more often merited than the former.

The stamp program in recent years has come to be a tool of cheap and tawdry politics and not the fine thing of national expression it could so well be.

When Mr. Summerfield took over collectors expected some heads-up cooperation and practical administration. The Republicans are supposed to have good business men more concerned with planned operation than the willy-nilly loose and corrupt way of doing things ended with the elections of last year.

I think the nation as a whole is tremendously disappointed with Mr. Summerfield and his cohorts — they expected much better. The same old politics as usual, and the same lackadaisical appreciation of postage stamps remains.

The attitude still exists of "Give 'em a stamp — their design — they got votes we could use."

Whether Mr. Summerfield cares to realize it or not the United States has been subject to much ridicule for its stamps. Frankly, as a citizen, the less we have of being a laughing matter to any of our neighbors, the better off our good old U. S. and A. is going to fare.

1. What was the last stamp issued with a recognizable flower on it?
2. On which commemorative would you find an alembic?

I'm probably sticking my beautiful, long, muchly-scarred lily white neck out way to here, but never can it be said I dodged an issue even at the expense of a bloody and sometimes bowed head.

Why should the Post Office Department be prevailed upon to issue a commemorative for the 300th Anniversary of Jewish Settlement in the United States? Pressure is on heavy for such a stamp.

To me, this is starting another one of those things which end up with honors to the Chicken Growers, the Chemists, the Truckers, the Bankers, the Lawyers, the Railroad Engineers, et al, none of whom can be classed as classically important to the nation as a whole. We like and need all those professions and businesses and they have contributed to the well being of various citizens. But to the extent of a stamp, no.

I'll probably be accused of anti-this 'n that, and various prejudices, all of which exist neither in my mind or heart.

The Jewish people have offered no more than other segments to the growth and well-being of our nation. They have contributed like others have contributed, they have worked like other workers — but it took the united efforts of many peoples to build a going concern here between Canada and Mexico, and the oceans.

The Post Office Department can just as well figure if the Goldbergs are honored, the Schmidts, Browns, O'Tooles, Czechowskis and the Romeros are going to raise particular h— (bad word) for their share of philatelic notice, too.

George D. Webb of Atlanta, Ga. sent the following which he claimed appeared in one of the CIO Newspapers. It was titled, "— Or Put Chlorophyll In The Mucilage." Author's name not given. It reads: —

"If you see one of Uncle Sam's mail trucks lurching down your street bearing an advertising poster reading 'DON'T WRITE — TELEGRAPH,' don't do a double take.

"It will be only one of the changes Republicans may have in store for you. Though they campaigned on a 'Take government out of business' theme, some GOP leaders want to put government in business more solidly than ever.

"Before Congress is a proposal by Rep. Latham (R. N. Y.) to sell

advertising space on 16,500 mail trucks and the 350,000 mail boxes. "Union leaders with an ironic sense of humor declare that Latham's brainstorm doesn't go half far enough.

"He completely missed the biggest opportunity of all," said one union official. "He should have proposed — and he probably will — that the government sell advertising space on our postage stamps."

"Instead of George Washington on one stamp, we could have an ad for General Electric garbage disposals. Instead of Thomas Jefferson on another stamp we'd have an appeal to eat Crunchie-Wunchies, and we'd drop Abraham Lincoln's portrait and replace it with a slogan for El Skunko cigars or even with the Western Union motto, 'Don't Write — Telegraph!'"

And don't forget the great advertising possibilities on the other side of the stamp. Candy mint manufacturers will want to mix their flavors into the mucilage, and it's a cinch that at least one businessman will figure out a way to work in the fragrance of a deodorant he manufactures."

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Two post offices, fourth class, with colorful names will be discontinued August 31. They're the kind you can do stunts with.

One is Black Wolf, Kansas, the other, Birthright, Texas.

Another in the fancy name category which was supposed to have

been put out of business on August 15 is Feeding Hills, Mass. However, it wasn't, and its stay of execution is indefinite at the moment.

There are two articles in the July-August edition of the "Seaposter" official organ of the Maritime Postmark Society which shed more than ordinary light on their subjects. One is "Via Nicaragua Ahead of the Mails" by Ethel Harper, the other, "Paquebot Covers, How To Acquire Them" by Walter P. Valiant.

Collectors at some time or another have the urge to learn more about both after the expressions have come to them via philatelic publications and otherwise.

Edwin Drechsel is the editor and Alan T. Tattersall, 1415 Osceola Court, Orlando, Fla., secretary-treasurer. As the group's title implies, they are interested in postmarks applied to mail by commercial vessels at sea.

With the Official Announcement confirming the predicted first day of issue and place of the Patton commem given here some weeks ago, only the Gadsden Purchase details are still tentative. The New York is scheduled for the opening day of the ASDA Exhibition and Bourse in NYC.

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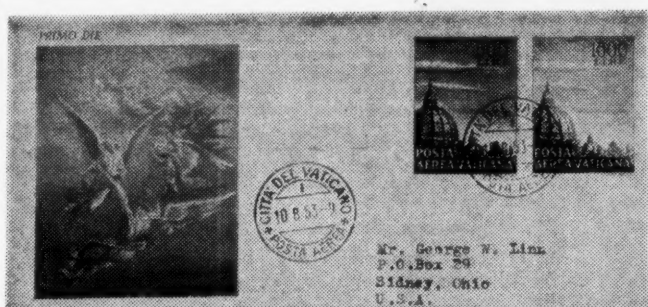
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mail stamps issued there August 10. The dome of St. Peter's, easily
recognizable to the left, is surmounted by two clouds. Denominations
and colors are 500 Lire brown and 1000 Lire blue. The first day cover
above was sent through the courtesy of E. Pagnini, Casella Postale
207, Rome, Italy.

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DENMARK. The long rumored
postage set commemorating Den-
mark's 1000 years as a monarchy
is now an accomplished fact with
the announcement of the first
stamp in the set with a September
5 first day of issue.

It will be a 10 ore green depict-
ing the large rune-stone, the Jel-
lingstone, as representative of the
first century of the 900-1000 mil-
lenary to be remembered.



The Jellingstone, located a cou-
ple of miles northwest of Veile on
Jutland, has many runes telling of
the Viking King Harald's far from
peaceful exploits. Viggo Bang de-
signed the stamp, Bent Jacobsen
was responsible for the engraving.

During the next few years this
first item will be followed with an
additional nine released from time
to time. Each will be inscribed
appropriately and will picture an
image characteristic of the cen-
tury of designation.

Each stamp in the series will
have identical frames with but the
millenary years changing. They
will be 1 1/2 times the size of the
current regular postage issue,
printed on unwatermarked paper
in sheets of 50 by the Post Office
Printery.

SWEDEN. The Telegraph in
Sweden though a government of-
fice operates as a separate unit
from the Post Office Department.
However the latter is preparing
two commemoratives for the for-
mer's centenary which occurs on
November 1.

Other than the bare announce-
ment of the stamps, no other de-
tails have been given.

SWEDEN. July 1, 1855 saw the
first Swedish stamps issued. The
centenary will be celebrated with
an international philatelic exhibi-
tion July 1955.

It is to be regretted that it is
thought necessary to finance this
stamp festival with the surtax
announced by the Post Office De-
partment. No further details have been
released.

PLEASE. A number of readers
of this column have written to me
on various matters in which I am
always happy to cooperate if at
all possible. However, very few
have sent along any form of pay-
ment for the stamps used to mail
replies back to them.

I know you do not have Swedish
stamps to send me for return pos-
tage, but if you will send a nicely
centered mint block of commems,
that will help reduce my postage
bill which is becoming quite size-
able answering your inquiries.

STAMP HINGING. This matter
has always been of interest and
concern to collectors. The hinging
of mint stamps has quite an effect
on the value of a collection. If
done poorly, the worth can be re-
duced; if well, where the hinge
peels without any sizeable mark
on the gum, the value can be en-
hanced.

Hinging should also be carried
out with the thought of keeping
the stamps undamaged in the al-
bum as the pages are turned.
If the hinge is applied so that a

small part of it shows above the
top edge of the stamp it is un-
sightly and gives the stamp an op-
portunity to swing out as the
page is turned, causing, perhaps,
a bent or folded one.

If the hinge is applied just about
one-sixteenth of an inch below the
top of the stamp the swinging is
controlled to some extent. If
placed in the center of the stamp
the stamp is held firmly and close
to the page.

However, some collectors like to
have their stamps hinged in such
a manner so that the stamp can
be raised for inspection of its
back, or for the purpose of adding
a note beneath it. I am one of
them, and I believe I have evolved
a system which permits viewing of
the back, and at the same time
eliminates the potential damage
when a page is turned.

The hinge is applied on the left
edge, in the center, and just past
the perforations, so the hinge will
not show. This permits lifting the
stamp without damage, and also
provides for the laying of it against
the page when it is turned.



Kenneth M. Gierhart
Baltimore, Ohio

PLS DATEDS

The Findlay Letter Shop, Find-
lay, Ohio has been using printed
dateds for some months now and
although the concern prints a lot
of philatelic forms such as album
pages, town lists, and catalogs, a
lot of their work is for regular com-
mercial users of printing, also.

Since any firm that is connect-
ed with philately that uses Dateds
the idea seems to be that such
items will never amount to much.
I happen to know that there are
no large quantities of these used
each month and that no denomina-
tions other than those needed or
regularly obtainable at the Find-
lay office are ever Dated.

I have a hunch that one of these
days collectors will be searching
for these things and find the going
rough.

TOWNS OF THE SOUTH

A town collection of the follow-
ing states is complete if it has the
number of towns from each state
as follows. Alabama 197, Arkan-
sas 191, Kentucky 221, Louisiana
119, Mississippi 143, Oklahoma 271,
Tennessee 252, and Texas 606.

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underway now and being published
by Hoover Bros., 45 Murray Ave.,
Goshen, N.Y. This is the second
by precancel collectors. Release is
expected perhaps as early as the
middle of September.

Those interested in starting a
TOWN collection or obtaining a
copy of the list should write Hoover
Bros., as to price and release time.

Stamp Display At Antique Exhibition

When the Waverly Antique Show
opens its doors at Waverly, Pa.
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of ads in Linn's of Sidney D. Har-
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the July 20 edition offering slightly
damaged copies of higher cata-
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bargain prices. Many not able to
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vely including blocks, pairs and rarities.
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ing 97, N. Y. United States, British
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Sept. 15—Ed Buser, Jr., 87 Nassau St., New
York 38, N. Y. Europe, Germany and
Cols., Lots by Country.
Sept. 21—H. B. Zeitlin, 1785 Riverside T.,
New York 34, N. Y. British Empire,
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Sept. 23—Max Bloch, 905 Fifth Ave.,
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obstacles. Only thirteen contestants managed to finish the course, and George Patton rated in sixth place.

Then came his last chance to redeem himself — the 4000-meter run, to start at the stadium and after leading through two and a half miles of broken country, to again wind up at the stadium. Determined to win this event or bust, our hero again overdid it; it was a blazing hot day—several runners were prostrated and one of them died. Patton just managed to stagger in, half a mile behind the winner, and then fainted dead away in front of the royal box of Gustavus V.

In the final summary, Patton had placed fifth among 43 contestants in the Modern Pentathlon. He won no cups, no medals, but he had accomplished what few other men could boast of—he had met some twosome of the best all-round athletes in the civilized world—and had given them a good run for their money.

In 1916 Patton was stationed at Fort Bliss in Texas when the so-called Mexico incident occurred—some 400 irregulars, or brigands, raided Columbus, New Mexico, supposedly led by that thorn in our side, Francisco (Pancho) Villa, from across the border. The mounted raiders raced through the little outpost town, burning the Commercial Hotel and some other buildings, and killing several American civilians.

"Well, Bee," said George Patton to his ever-loving wife, "I guess I'll be starting now on a trip I can't take you along on. Surely, the State Department can't ignore those cocky s. o. b.'s down there any longer, with what we've got here, ready for them." And he pointed out the window, where a veritable city of canvas stretched as far as man could see.

Patton was right. Next day, General Pershing received orders to immediately organize a punitive expedition to follow Villa into Mexico and avenge the wanton attack. But Patton's beloved 8th Cavalry was slated to stay behind. Doggone, he wanted to be where fighting loomed and not sit home on his pratt.

So by hook or crook (we imagine mostly crook) he hornsawgled of Black Jack Pershing into taking him along as an aide "on special service." And true to his word, he saw to it that General Pershing never regretted his choice.

Sometime later, deep in the heart of Mexico, Patton was detailed to forage for corn and other fodder for the horses. He started out with one corporal and three men, plus a civilian interpreter, in three Dodge touring cars, and by noon had contracted for a considerable amount of grain and other fodder.

Deciding on one more try, they approached a good-sized house with battlemented roof. To their surprise, three mounted horsemen burst out of the gate and fled down the road, shooting as they went.

Ah, this was it. Patton unlimbered his famous pearl-handled gun and fired a quick shot, wounding one of the escapees and with another shot, downed one of the horses. His men did the rest and in short order the detail had three dead Mexicans on their hands.

With quick decision, Patton ordered the three bodies strapped on the car's fenders, just as deer-hunters up north bring back their prize; and so they ran the gauntlet in little nearby towns and continued on until the cars stopped where Patton reported "Mission accomplished, sir—also have three dead Mexicans on front."

As it turned out, one of the killed was General Cardenas, one of Villa's top henchmen.

So Pershing immediately raised him to first lieutenant, after which little George sat down to carve two notches into his gun. Anent his famous guns, and his sometime nickname of "Two-Gun Pete" in those earlier days he seems to have carried but one gun, an oldtime Colt frontier pistol which always remained his favorite weapon of defense.

Later, in full dress and often "on parade," his pictures show him with two holstered guns at his hips—the second gun was supposedly a regulation Army .45 automatic to which he, himself, had the pearl handles added.

When Congress voted for war against Germany on account of her unrestricted U-boat warfare against neutral ships, we had a standing army of 130,000 men, plus 67,000 National Guardsmen, some of whom were being transported overseas, to form the nucleus of the American Expeditionary force. Patton, impatient to get into ac-

al fighting, asked, "What's delaying us? Why do we have to wait until the whole goddam United States is under arms? Some of us are ready to fight now."

A few days later he received orders to appear before General Pershing in Washington, who was designated as commander of the A.E.F.

"Captain Patton," said the General, "how would you like to command my headquarters troops?"

Holy cow—Captain Patton—another promotion—and commander of the boss's Palace Guard. Things sure were looking up for the boy who had always loved to play at war.

George rushed back home to pack his beloved Bee and two daughters off to Pride's Crossing and then set about selecting the men for his troop—the best horsemen he could find in the 5th Cavalry at Fort Meyer—though their mastery of horsemanship was to be of little avail in this new kind of war.

And it wasn't in the cards for Patton to face the enemy astride a horse—his was to be another kind of a mount this time. The tanks were just coming into warfare. They were heavy, clumsy things that traveled only about two miles per hour—but they stopped Mauser bullets and could cross ditches, and George became so enamored of their use in battle that Pershing upped him to lieutenant-colonel and named him commander of the American Tank Corps, although there were no U.S. tanks in Europe until after the Armistice was signed.

But he and some of his "corps" made a few forays in 144 tanks borrowed from the French army—during which doings he received a burst of machine-gun fire in his thigh and thereby became a battle casualty.

In World War II, he was placed in charge of cleaning up in North Africa, where Rommel's hordes were running wild across the plains of Tunisia. General Eisenhower cabled him, "Dear George—Algiers has been ours for two days, Oran defenses are crumbling rapidly, the only tough nut left to crack is up to you." Signed IKE.

And a tough nut he found it to be. The defending U. S. forces and also any British and French troops were widely scattered and thoroughly disorganized. The heat on the desert was almost unbearable and the troops were down in the mouth and wishing for home, to say the least. Patton's first morale booster came with his order that "very able-bodied man must shave each morning, get a haircut at least once each week, and keep his clothes in as neat order as possible—even as he himself did each day."

This boost in morale seems to have helped, and it wasn't too long before Rommel's army had been pushed back—some into the actual sea—while their "big shot" fled across the Mediterranean and back to Germany—and all the fighting men and the liberated peoples in Africa hailed Patton as their hero and the savior of their bodies and souls.

And it was but a repeat performance in Sicily, at Palermo and up the coast of Italy, until he was ordered to Central Europe by General Eisenhower.

General Patton was absolutely fearless and a thorough fatalist, believing that nothing could harm him personally until "his day came up." While waiting at the docks in England for trans-shipment of his personal goods to France, and noticing a goody crowd gathering about his shiny Cadillac, complete with all insignia, his personal flags, and upholstered in brightest red leather, he felt a touch of the old showmanship once again. Stepping inside his "battle-wagon" and onto the red cushions, he made an impromptu speech to the crowd, which ended with the remark that "if no one else has the guts to do so, he, personally, would drill that s.o.b. paper-hanger's hide full of bullet holes as soon as he got to Berlin."

Cheers!

In France, General Eisenhower put him in command of our famous Third Army, which was just then experiencing the agony of the Battle of the Bulge, under von Rundstedt's clever strategy. What was needed to counteract this setback was Allied air support in great quantity—but all planes were grounded at the flying fields by continual and continued rains and heavy fog.

After waiting impatiently for many days, George Patton sent for one of the Third Army chaplains. "I want a prayer to stop this rain," he told the man of God. "If we get a couple of clear days, we could get in there and kill a

couple of hundred thousands of those krauts."

The chaplain demurred. "It is not in the realm of theology to pray for something to help kill your fellow man," he declared. Patton turned on him in amazement. "What the hell do you think you are, a theologian or an officer of the United States Third Army?" he asked. "I want that prayer, and damn quick."

He got it, just before Christmas, and the General had it printed on thousands of Yule cards, with his personal greetings on the reverse side. The card read: "Almighty and most merciful Father, we humbly beseech Thee, of Thy great goodness, to restrain these immoderate rains with which we have to contend. Grant us fair weather for battle. Graciously hear us as soldiers who call upon Thee, that armed with Thy power, we may advance from victory to victory and crush the oppression and wickedness of our enemies, and establish Thy justice among men and nations. Amen."

Patton sent the cards as a Merry Christmas greeting to every officer and soldier in the Third Army—and verily, the rain stopped, the planes took off, Patton's army started rolling again, and the salient was flattened out. His advances had voided any further danger from the Bulge saved the American and British armies from being separated and cut off from each other. Most of his final maneuvering took place in Belgium and Luxembourg, in which countries, as everywhere, he became the hero of the war.

The war over, he was resting in Luxembourg waiting further assignment, possibly back to the United States—when on December 9, 1945, his number, about which he had boasted throughout a lifetime, came up. To while away the time he and some friends set out that morning for a day of pheasant shooting at Mannheim, sixty miles south of his headquarters at Bad Nauheim.

Not far out, an army truck cut across the front of Patton's limousine and the two vehicles crashed. The General's driver and his hunting partner escaped serious injury, but Patton was hurled against the front seat, and suffered a broken neck. He was rushed immediately to the American Hospital at Heidelberg and Mrs. Patton was flown from the United States to his bedside.

For twelve days that tough old man of battle fought against the paralysis which made a leaden thing of his fine body. But a lung infection was added to the paralysis, and that was one thing that the old warrior had not learned to conquer.

He died peacefully in his sleep with his ever-loving Bee by his side. It was December 21. The words Patton uttered when he felt the hand of Death upon him were brief and to the point. Said he, "This is a hell of a way to die."

Same old rough-and-ready to the very end. They buried him in the U. S. Military Cemetery at Hamm in Luxembourg—under the same plain wooden cross bearing the typical name, rank and serial number as the buddies all around him, except that in his case four golden stars were added, and 3rd Army. And there he lies today, and will continue to lie, at his own final request. We hope he has found peace.....

Hungary Issues Sports Designs

Sports on Stamps enthusiasts are the group particularly the target of the Hungarian Postal Administration which on August 20 issued a set of commemoratives, five regulars and five airmails, for the opening of the Peoples Sport Stadium. The large square designs are so printed that the stamps assume a diamond shape. They are quite attractive as Hungarian stamps usually are both from the coloring and picture viewpoints.

Denominations and designs are 20 filler bicycle racing 30f swimming, 40f gymnastics, 50f circus throwing, 60f wrestling—all regulars; 20f water ball, 1 Forint boxing, 2Ft. soccer, 3Ft track, 5Ft the stadium.

According to the Hungaria Stamp Exchange of Utica N.Y. Hungary is to release a new postage due set in August consisting of 18 values with a face of 18Ft. They commemorate the first postage dues of 50 years ago and picture this first stamp in the design which is common to each.

Also, from the same source, is the news that stamps of the "Buildings" series have had a face lifting in that the denominations of 8, 12, 20, 30, 40 and 60 filler re-

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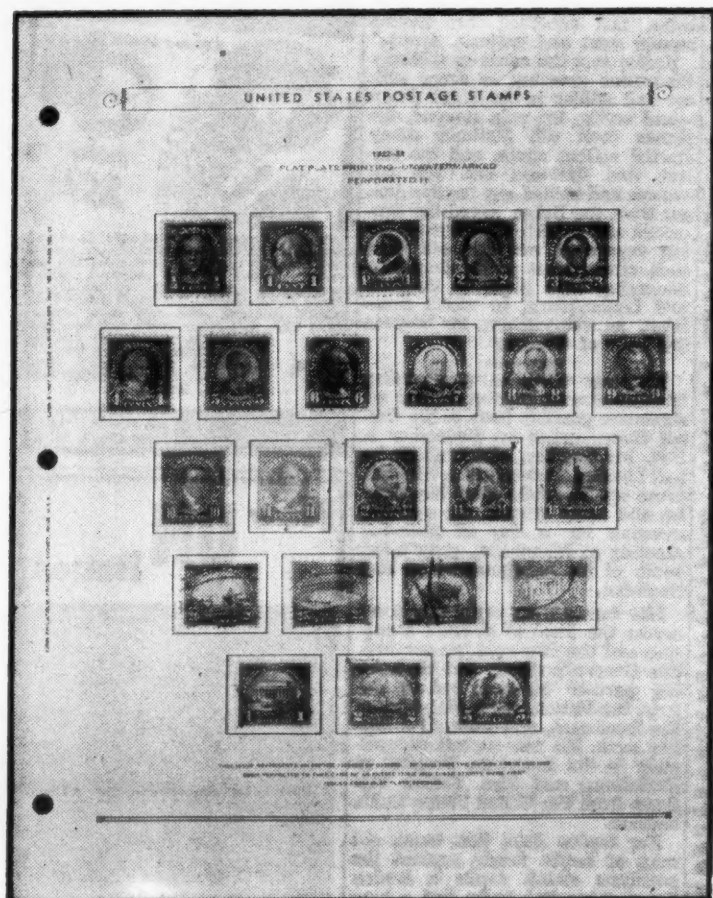
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Fancy Pickings For Topicalists

Two new definitive issues and several design and color alterations will all appear on September 1 according to A.J.E. Davis, Washington, D. C. representative of the Crown Agents for the Colonies.

The definitives are to come from British Honduras and Nigeria and are in keeping with the new political era of the British Commonwealth. The stamps will each have a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II, the Royal Crown, or both.

Printing of all was from engraved plates by Waterlow & Sons, Ltd. Each is in two colors and in the following description the vignette is given first.



1c, green and black, Arms of the Colony; 2c brown and black, Mountain cow; 3c purple and magenta, Legislative Council and Mace; 4c sepia and green, Pine Industry; 5c dark green and red, Spiny lobster; 10c gray and blue, Stanley Field Airport; 15c yellow green and violet, Maya Frieze; 25c blue and brown, Blue butterfly; 50c brown and purple, Maya Indian; \$1 slate blue and brown, Armadillo; \$2 red and gray, Hawkesworth Bridge; \$5 violet and gray, Mountain orchid.



Nigeria's new regular set is equally as colorful and interesting in the design department. These, unlike the British Honduras which are in decimal currency, are in shillings and pence.

½d black and orange, Old Manilla Currency; 1d black and silver sage, Bornu horsemen; 1½d green, Ground Nuts; 2d black and yellow, Tin; 3d black and cobalt violet, Jebba Bridge and River Niger; 4d black and blue, Cocoa; 6d brown and black, Ife bronze, 1/- black and lilac, Timber; 2/6 black and mistletoe, Victoria Harbor; 5/- black and red, Palm Oil;



10/- black and brown, Hides and Skins; £1 black and violet, new and old Lagos. Nyasaland has done a little

patching to produce its definitive set. Current items of the ½d, 1d, 1½d, 6d, 9d, 1/-, 2/6, 5/-, 10/- and 20/- remain as before with the exception that the portrait has been changed to that of Queen Elizabeth.

However, the 2d retains the current design but is to be in black and yellow; the 2½d is entirely new, in green and black, picturing cotton grading; the 3d is as the present 4d except now in black and red; the 4½c in a design of the current 3d in black and blue and with some slight alterations in the design; 2/- design and color as is, but with design alterations.

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But as the work progressed smoothly, and the State of South Dakota guaranteed payment of all bills, Borglum decided to add the heads of THOMAS JEFFERSON, THEODORE ROOSEVELT and ABRAHAM LINCOLN—just why he selected Roosevelt to join this group of elder Presidents is not definitely known, except that he, personally, was a great admirer of our Teddy.

To get some idea of the immensity of the sculpture, Washington's face, from chin to forehead, is as high as a 6-story building, and a man could easily stand erect in the opening of Lincoln's eye. Begun in 1927, the project was almost completed in 1941, when Borglum died—but his son carried on to finish the work.

From the air, the memorial is visible 60 miles away on a clear day—and it is estimated that nature's erosion will take less than one-quarter inch in the next 1000 years. Truly one of the greatest of man-made memorials, to vie with the Pyramids of the Pharaohs and the Sphinx in Egypt.

John GUTZOM de la Mothe BORGLUM was born in Idaho in 1871—died in 1941. Of Danish descent, he studied briefly in San Francisco, London and Paris. Returned to U. S. in 1902 and settled in New York. He began as a painter, but later turned to sculpture. Some of his better-known works are the heroic-sized bust of Lincoln in the rotunda of the Capitol in Washington—the new Gettysburg Memorial for the battlefield—plus many statues afoot and on horseback.

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A Very Special offer never before offered at this amazing low price. These collections are top quality loaded with Commemoratives, Pictorials, Airm, High Values, New Issues, both mint and used. Not one duplicate. Made from Tremendous Br. Colonies Stock. Sensational high catalog value. **NO GREAT BRITAIN!!** 1000 all Different, Very Nice lot. If broken down would sell for about \$25.00. A Steal.

Limit 1

\$6.88

2000 Different Fantastic Bargain if broken down would sell for \$75.00 to \$100.00. Only \$29.65

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EXTRA SPECIAL * * 3000 DIFFERENT TOP QUALITY ONLY 2 AVAILABLE \$68.88
NO MORE THAN ONE SOLD AT ANY PRICE TO ANYONE—ABSOLUTELY A CHANGE OF A LIFETIME

COLLECTIONS by COUNTRIES

ALL DIFFERENT * * SUPER TOP QUALITY
 MANY CATALOG 10 TIMES OUR PRICE
 AND MORE! THESE ARE RARE COLLECTIONS IMPORTED FROM ABROAD FOR IMMEDIATE SALE REGARDLESS OF CATALOG OR ORIGINAL PRICE. MANY STAMPS ARE NOT FOUND IN LARGE COLLECTIONS. ALL ARE UNCONDITIONALLY GUARANTEED OR YOUR MONEY BACK AIRMAIL!

185 CROATIA—Every different stamp from huge import stock. Almost the complete country all Scott listed. No one can afford to miss this well worth \$15.00. **\$5.95**
 A TRULY ELEGANT COLLECTION!

2000 GERMANY AND COLONIES—Collected in Germany incl. Rare Saar, Bavaria, Danzig, Wurttemberg, Semi-postals, Pictorials, Occupation Issues. **\$17.77**
 Total Catalog over \$100.00. Many dealers will say we are crazy. Too good to be true. YOUR CHANCE TO REALLY SAVE!!

500 FRENCH COLLECTION—MOUNTED. EXTRA SPECIAL CLOSEOUT IMPORT!—Loaded with gorgeous pictorials, commemoratives, semi-postals, etc., regardless of Cat. We are not asking \$15.00 but only. **\$5.95**
 Postpaid. While they last. MAN! WHAT A SWANKY COLLECTION * * *

1000 CHINESE CLOSEOUT LOT—The last shipment that we will have due to government restrictions. Loaded with fine items both old and new. No one can afford to miss this. If broken down would sell for \$20.00 or more! **\$4.95**
 HIGHLY RECOMMENDED!!!

200 RARE PANAMA COLLECTION—Only 2 lots available. Top quality. Almost the entire scarce country. Loaded with fine items. Stamps Catalog up to \$1.00 each and more. Never will we duplicate this buy! **\$16.88**
 PERSONALLY GUARANTEED!!!

400 JAPANESE GOLD MINE—Special purchase from huge import stock. Loaded with pictorials, commemoratives, airmails, high values. Complete sets. Terrific high catalog value. Simply fantastic. **\$12.88**
 Unbeatable Value. TO BUY IS TO REALLY SAVE!

100 CANAL ZONE COLLECTION—The first time we have ever seen such a collection of this rare country. It's Gorgeous in every way, with complete sets galore. The Catalog is Very High. These stamps are not found in many of the largest collections. **\$20.95**
 THESE WON'T LAST LONG!!!

300 RARE PERSIA COLLECTION! MADE FROM OLD STOCK MOSTLY BEFORE 1920. Catalog listing about \$50.00. Many Rare Sets. No one can afford to miss this value. **\$8.95**
 TO BUY IS TO REALLY SAVE!!!

EXTRA SPECIALS!

WE CHALLENGE ANYONE ANYWHERE TO BEAT THESE ONCE IN A LIFETIME BUYS * * *

1500 CHINA. Almost the complete rare country. This is the last shipment that we will have due to government restrictions. Well worth \$50.00. Loaded with top values. Limit 1. **\$15.95**

100 Ceylon. Rare British Colony. Top values & Rare Items incl. A Truly Elegant Collection that no one can afford to miss. EXTRA SPECIAL **\$ 5.95**

2000 LATIN AMERICA. Direct from South of the Border Closeout Stock. Almost all countries incl. Tremendous High Catalog. These won't last long. Limit 1. **\$24.44**

300 Germany. Rare Commemoratives, Pictorials, & Semi-Postals Only! Many catalog to \$1.00 Each and More. Truly a gold mine in value as we have never before seen. While They Last **\$ 8.95**

500 Switzerland. Huge Collection of almost the complete country. Hds. of Rare Semi Postals, Pictorials, Airm, & Top Values worth many times the price alone. Truly too good to be true **\$18.95**

THESE ARE PERSONALLY GUARANTEED * * *

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* \$2.88 PLUS 12c Postage While They Last *
 SUPER AIRMAIL COLLECTION!!!

LOOK OVER YOUR COLLECTION! See how many choice airmails you have. We are closing out a huge stock of choice airmails. We have made up some of the finest lots that you have ever seen. Each lot contains over 200 all different choice stamps. NO DUPLICATES, completely off paper and assorted with airmails from all parts of the world. You will find many items worth the complete price of the lot. You will find new issues, sets, high values, pictorials, mint and used. This is really a beautiful lot and we challenge anyone to beat this offer.

\$2.88 plus 12c postage while They Last!

ISRAEL

These are scarce. Many of the largest collections only have few. We have bought this stock from an exporter that had to raise cash immediately and had to sell. We have taken all stamps from this rare country and have made up lots of over 50 different items. The Greater part of the country and offer them regardless of Cat. or original price for only \$2.00 POSTPAID. LIMIT 1 . . . YOU BETTER HURRY. EXTRA SPECIAL * * 75 DIFF. ALMOST THE COMPLETE COUNTRY. **\$5.95**

OUR SUPER JOB LOT! THE GREATEST VALUE OFFERED—

THIS IS ABSOLUTELY THE FINEST VALUE THAT WE HAVE EVER SEEN OFFERED. We have taken over one million stamps, including large scarce collections, packets, mixtures off paper of all diff. items, sets, singles, new issues, etc. and have made up the most wonderful job lots you have ever seen. We have thousands of items that we just can't take the space to advertise and must close out at just a fraction of their regular value. We have made up Gigantic \$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00, \$50.00 and \$100.00 job lots. The \$5.00 lots contain over 2000 different stamps in all with hundreds of fine higher cataloging commemoratives, pictorials, airm, high values etc. The larger the lot the greater the value and the higher quality of material. In the larger lots you may let us know what countries you prefer and what type of stamps you like and we will do our best to try to make up the lots according to your

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